



Application by Elements Green Trent Limited for the Great North Road Solar and Biodiversity Park (case reference: EN010162)

Examining Authority's (ExA) note of unaccompanied site inspections (USI2) and access required site inspections (ARSI)

10 and 11 March 2026

This note is a brief record to inform the applicant and any other interested parties of the actions taken by the ExA.

The ExA (Andrea Mageean, Graham Hobbins and Philip Brewer) accompanied by case team members (Rammiel Burnie and Harri Davies) undertook USI2 and ARSI on 10 and 11 March 2026.

The USI was undertaken by car and on foot on public roads and footpaths, with the route planned having regard to suggestions made by interested parties (IP). Specific ARSI were undertaken on the basis of requests from IPs.

Day 1: Tuesday 10 March 2026

Weather: mostly clear and sunny

Visibility: excellent

Drove to Lockwell Hill roundabout NG22 8JE, returning to drive towards Eakring, via Farnsfield Road, Bilsthorpe.

Parked at Triumph Road, Eakring to walk along public right of way (PRoW) EK FP14b/16 from Eakring towards Maplebeck, as far as Brecks Farm, then returning and walking along Robin Hood Way towards Manley Common.

Parked on Church Hill to walk along PRow EK FP 13/14 to consider the effects of solar arrays 79, 80 and 455 (Figure 5.1 [[APP-080](#)]) on the setting of Eakring.

Drove along Newark Road into Maplebeck Road to view part of the construction traffic route, noting Tug Bridge Farm and the location of Eakring Meadows Local Wildlife Site.

Drove along the proposed construction traffic route into Maplebeck, then south to towards the A617 to consider views around North Lodge Farm.

Returned to Maplebeck then head east along Maplebeck Road past Dukes Wood towards the A616.

Drove northwest along the A616 to Wellow, considering views to the south.

ARSI at Mainwood Farm.

ARSI at Ossington Airfield, including walking the runway around the airfield.

Drove towards Carlton on Trent, pausing adjacent to viewpoint 48/Hill Farm. Walked north along PRow Carlton on Trent BW8/Sutton on Trent BW18.

Drove to Carlton on Trent, walking through the village and noting the position of the River Trent.

Day 2: Wednesday 11 March 2026

Weather: mostly clear and sunny, quite windy

Visibility: excellent

ARSI at The Shires, Ossington Road, Castle Hill

Drove to Egmonton via Ossington and Moorhouse to view part of the construction traffic route, then on to view the existing Egmonton Solar Farm.

ARSI at Caunton Lodge Farm.

Drove to Wadnal Lane, Weston. Parked to walk south along PRow
Weston BW8/Ossington BW7.